

TROY CITY VIEW

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Fall 2007

Greetings,

Welcome to the Troy City View. This newsletter reflects our city's ongoing efforts to communicate with our citizens in Troy and to inform you of the various aspects and ongoing events of our City. I hope you find this as a very useful tool in your planning.

Sincerely,

Michael L. Beamish, Mayor

New Public Service and Safety Director Comments on Troy



Patrick Titterton

After seven months, 15 City Council meetings and countless community events, I'm happy to say that Troy has been 'as advertised' to my family and me. When I interviewed before becoming your Director of Public Service and Safety, Troy's reputation as a caring, compassionate, friendly and vibrant community was what sold me on accepting the job.

I can honestly say without reservation that Troy has lived up to that reputation - and then some. As your Director, I've had the opportunity to explore issues regarding traffic, storm water drainage, residential developments, and many other community concerns. You are blessed with a staff of talented, generous, and well-meaning individuals whose daily focus is on making Troy better for you. Collectively, we've tried to make living, working and visiting Troy as enjoyable as possible. If you have any questions or concerns, you can always contact my staff or me by calling City Hall or emailing us. Our website has all the contact information you need: www.troyohio.gov.

My family and I are now residents, and we are beginning to experience the quality of life Troy enjoys that other communities our size could not dream of offering. We have been impressed with the hospitality that has been extended to us, and we look forward to many happy years here!



The Troy Foundation Makes a Difference in Troy

The City of Troy would like to thank The Troy Foundation for all the wonderful projects it has supported throughout the years. Since January 1, 2005, the Distribution Committee has approved \$71,414.80 in grant money to the City of Troy to help fund such things as the annual July 4th fireworks, the Be A Better Biker Camp, GOBA, and most recently the purchase of the Mobile Comfort Station (restrooms) to be used at concerts and other events held in Troy.

In addition, the Committee has approved \$80,925 since 2005 in grant money to assist in the funding of the Festival of Nations, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, the Sculptures on the Square, the Troy Classic on the Square, and downtown banners. An additional \$30,000 has been approved to provide additional concerts and for the printing and mailing of calendars to all city residents displaying the schedule of the Summer Music Series on Prouty Plaza sponsored by Troy-Hayner Cultural Center and Troy Main Street, Inc.

Without the funds provided to The Troy Foundation by its many generous donors, the Distribution Committee would not have been able to approve the funding for the previously mentioned projects. A special thank you goes to Committee members Steve Baker, Arthur Haddad, Joan Heidelberg, Cindy Meeker, and Craig Wise for their efforts. If you are interested in becoming a donor to The Troy Foundation, please contact Melissa Kleptz, Executive Director, by calling (937) 335-8513. Thank you The Troy Foundation for your efforts in making Troy the great place that it is!

TAKAHASHI CITY STUDENT DELEGATION VISITS TROY



On August 3, a delegation of 18 seventh, eighth, and ninth grade students, along with four adult advisors, traveled from Troy's Sister City, Takahashi City, Japan to stay with host families here in Troy. During their stay they had brunch at Troy High School, went ice skating at Hobart Arena, and attended National Night Out in the Community Park. Host families were in charge of all other entertainment for their assigned student or adult. The activities included such things as going fishing or shopping or attending a Cincinnati Reds game, a Dayton Dragons game, or the State Fair. The focus of the Troy-Takahashi City student exchange is for the delegates of the two countries to understand how much they have in common as well as experience different cultures. In 2008, families in Takahashi will host a delegation of students and adults from Troy. For more information about the trip, contact Sue Knight at (937) 335-1725.

CITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER, 2007

3	Labor Day Holiday, City Offices Closed (Refuse Collection Delayed One Day All Week)	
4	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
4	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
12	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
17	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
20	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 p.m.
26	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

OCTOBER, 2007

1	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
2	Joint Recreation & Park Board Meeting	11 a.m.
10	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
15	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
18	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
24	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER, 2007

5	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
6	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
14	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
15	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
19	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
22,23	Thanksgiving Holiday, City Offices Closed (Refuse Collection Delayed One Day Starting Nov. 22)	
23	Lighting of Holiday Tree at the Public Square	Evening
28	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

DECEMBER, 2007

3	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
4	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.
12	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.
17	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.
20	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.
24,25	Christmas Holiday, City Offices Closed (Refuse Collection Delayed One Day Starting Dec. 25)	
26	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.

NOTE: All meetings are held at Troy City Hall, 100 South Market Street, unless otherwise designated.

2007 CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

All Council meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 South Market Street. The agenda for each meeting is posted on the City's website, www.troyohio.gov, as well as at City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings with their input. TV 9 films Council Committee and regular Council meetings and televises them for those who are unable to attend. TV 9's schedule can be found on the back cover. The following schedule is provided as a handy reminder of the City Council meetings planned for this fall.

Tuesday, September 4	Monday, September 17
Monday, October 1	Monday, October 15
Monday, November 5	Monday, November 19
Monday, December 3	Monday, December 17

Your Tax Dollars at Work

RIDGE AND PETERS ROAD CONSTRUCTION - Construction is complete.

ARCHER DRIVE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS - Construction will begin on road improvements for Archer Drive from Peters to Bruckner. There will be concrete work done in the winter months with new asphalt being poured in the spring of 2008. This project is funded in part by an Ohio Public Works Commission grant of \$295,000.

SIDEWALK PROGRAM PHASE 5 - Construction work is expected to begin in September and be completed by the end of the year. This will include approximately 80 new handicap ramps being installed.

PAVING - The City will pave approximately 17 locations during the summer. The planned locations include:

- Devon Cr. from Penn to cul de sac,
- Franklin St. from Monroe to Cherry and Elm to Monroe,
- Gettysburg Dr. from Lee to Sheridan,
- Heritage Dr. from Stonyridge to Saratoga,
- Kent Ln. from Penn to Penn,
- Locust Ln. from Linwood to Switzer,
- Mayfield Ct. from Mayfield to cul de sac,
- McGovern Dr. from Maplecrest to Stevenson,
- Miami St. from Fairfield to Glendale,
- Rudy Dr. from Stonyridge to deadend,
- Saratoga Dr. from Heritage to new subdivision,
- Switzer Dr. from Skylark to Maplecrest,
- Virginia Ave. from Staunton to Troy,
- Washington Rd. from Harrison to Elm,
- Water St. from Elm to Adams, and
- Waterford Dr. from Kings Chapel to Westhaven.

CATCH BASINS - Up to 25 catch basins will be repaired or replaced beginning in September. Many of the catch basins are in the same area as the sidewalk work that is being done.

RECREATIONAL TRAIL - Construction on a new recreational trail is expected to begin in September with completion by November. This new path will begin near the N. Market St. bridge and continue along the lower levee around Community Park and connect to Riverside Drive.

OTHER IMPROVEMENTS - Staff is working with the Ohio Department of Transportation to design a dedicated right hand turn lane from east bound S.R. 41 to south bound I-75. The design will be completed by the beginning of 2008 and construction is expected to take place in the summer of 2008. State safety funds in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for construction are being used to fund this project.

Christmas Tree Donations Now Being Accepted

Do you have a 30 foot pine tree in your yard that you have wanted to cut down because it is just too big? Can you picture that same tree located on the Square during the holidays with thousands of lights and beautiful ornaments adorning it? If you answered yes to either of these questions, please contact the Service Director's Office at (937) 335-1725 to advise that you would like to donate your tree to the City of Troy for use this holiday season.



MIAMI COUNTY RECYCLING EVENTS

•Residential Electronics Recycling Drop-Off

On Saturday, September 22, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Miami County will be accepting electronic items at their facility located at 2200 N. County Road 25-A. Bring your unusable computer equipment, DVD players, VCRs, cell phones, etc. and have them recycled. A charge of 25 cents per pound will be collected at the gate. Please call Miami County at (937) 440-3488 to register or if you have questions.

•Document Shredding Day

On Saturday, September 29, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Miami County will be accepting documents for shredding purposes at their facility located at 2200 N. County Road 25-A. Bring any documents that you need to have shredded. A minimal charge of 5 cents per pound will be collected at the gate. Please call Miami County at (937) 440-3488 to register or if you have questions.

•Miami County Residential Household Hazardous Waste Day

On Saturday, October 6, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. to noon, Miami County will be accepting items at the Miami County Fairgrounds (underneath the grandstand). Items being accepted are: paint (oil and latex), pool chemicals, gasoline/kerosene, household cleaners, antifreeze, varnishes/stains, mercury, turpentine, fertilizers/pesticides, pharmaceuticals, and unknown chemicals. Let's all do our part in helping the environment by turning in these items!!! Asbestos, explosives, and ammunition will not be accepted. There is a \$1 per pound charge for materials brought to the Fairgrounds. If you have any questions or would like to register for the event, call Miami County at (937) 440-3488.

November Election Day

Election Day is November 6. Make sure you get out to vote. If you choose to support a candidate or issue by placing a sign in your yard, please keep it out of the right-of-way or it will be removed. For questions about voting or the location of your precinct, contact Miami County at (937) 440-5900.



Veterans Day Ceremonies Planned

Please come to the Riverside Cemetery on November 11, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. to honor and show your support for veterans during the annual Veterans Day ceremonies.

Trick or Treat Date Set

Trick or Treat has been set for Tuesday, October 30 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.



HAPPENINGS AT HOBART ARENA



2008 TROY AUTO SHOW

On Saturday, September 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. local auto dealers including Arbogast Buick-Pontiac-GMC Truck, Erwin Chrysler Dodge Jeep, Joe Johnson Chevrolet Oldsmobile, and Troy Ford will be showcasing their new 2008 models. Admission is free and open to the public!

MARDI GRAS SPIRIT EVENTS PARADE OF CHAMPIONS CHEER COMPETITION



Everyone knows Mardi Gras is One Big Party! Now Mardi Gras is coming to Hobart Arena. Mardi Gras Spirit Events of New Orleans is holding their first Ohio cheer competition at Hobart Arena on Saturday, November 3. Competition times and ticket prices are available by calling Hobart Arena at (937) 339-2911. Teams that are interested in competing should visit www.mardigrassspiritevents.com to obtain more details.

JORDAN WORLD CIRCUS RETURNS TO HOBART ARENA

The thrills of the Jordan World Circus will return to Hobart Arena for a second time this year on Monday, November 5. To obtain ticket pricing and show times, contact Hobart Arena at (937) 339-2911 or visit the Arena's website at www.hobartarena.com.

HOCKEY AND ICE SKATING CLASSES OFFERED

The City of Troy Recreation Department is offering an Introduction to Hockey Program for youth ages 5 to 8. The program will be held on Tuesday evenings beginning in October. The Troy Junior Hockey Boosters Association does provide rental equipment for those interested.



Please call the Troy Recreation Department at (937) 339-5145 for more information. Registration forms can be found online at www.troyohio.gov/rec/ProgramRegForms.html.

The Troy Skating Club offers ice skating lessons for youth and adults. Whether you are a beginner or have skating experience, the Troy Skating Club has something to offer you. Classes begin in October. Contact the Troy Skating Club at (937) 339-8521 or visit their website at www.troyskatingclub.org for registration information.

PUBLIC SKATING

Public Skating sessions will resume the weekend of October 26. Sessions are typically held on Friday and Saturday evenings from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Contact Hobart Arena at (937) 339-2911 or visit the Arena's website at www.hobartarena.com for specific dates and times. Group rates are available.



CITY CLIPS



PAINT VOUCHER AND GARAGE DEMOLITION PROGRAM

The Planning Department would like to remind citizens of Troy about the Paint Voucher Program and the Garage Demolition Program. The Paint Voucher Program assists residents by providing up to \$250 for the purchase of paint for the exterior of their home. The Garage Demolition Program provides funds for those residents who wish to demolish a "condemnable" garage structure. Certain guidelines apply to both programs. Please contact the Planning Department at (937) 339-9481 for more information or stop by their office in City Hall for an application.

SIGNS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

The City of Troy prohibits the placement of all signs in the public right-of-way, which is generally the area between the street and the sidewalk or telephone pole. The right-of-way includes street sign posts and utility poles. Signs that are found in the right-of-way will be removed by staff.

TROY CITY PROGRAMMING - CHANNEL 9

Watch for the Mayor's Report and the delayed broadcast of City Council Committee meetings and City Council meetings on Troy-Public Broadcasting, Channel 9.

Mayor's Report

Monday - 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday - 10:30 a.m.; Thursday - 9:00 p.m.;
Friday - 11:00 a.m.; Sunday - 7:30 p.m.

City Council and Committee Meetings

Tuesday - 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Sunday - noon

DIRECTORY OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor	Michael L. Beamish
President of Council	William F. Lohrer
Council Members by Ward:	
1st Ward	Thomas M. Kendall
2nd Ward	Martha A. Baker
3rd Ward	Ted S. Mercer
4th Ward	Jarrod W. Harrah
Council Members At-Large:	
.....	Alan R. Clark
.....	Mark A. Douglas
.....	Shirley M. Saxton
Director of Law	Greg Dixon
Auditor	Richard L. Cultice
Treasurer	Edward L. Cox
Director of Public Service & Safety	Patrick E. J. Titterington
Clerk of Council and Administrative Assistant	Sue G. Knight
Public Works Director	Steven D. Leffel
Development Director	James A. Dando, Jr.
Planning Director	Mark S. Cundiff
Human Resources Director	Thomas C. Funderburg
Recreation Director	Kenneth E. Siler
Fiscal Supervisor	Dale R. Ridenour
Fire Chief	Christopher L. Boehringer
Police Chief	Charles C. Phelps
Park Superintendent	Timothy J. Mercer
Cemetery Superintendent	Lewis J. Deeter
Director of Golf	Kenneth D. Green

Information on how to contact City elected and appointed officials is available on the City of Troy website: www.troyohio.gov.



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100 S. Market St.
Troy, Ohio 45373

Attention Web Surfers: Have you visited the official website of the City of Troy?

If not, surf over to www.troyohio.gov and check us out. The site is full of useful information about the City as an organization, as well as the community.

The website changes regularly, so visit often to keep abreast of meeting dates, job openings and other useful information.

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